

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original): An electric motor comprising:
a housing having first and second ends;
a rotatable shaft extending through the housing;
a commutator disposed in the housing about the shaft;
a plurality of brushes disposed in the housing and engagable with the commutator;
a bushing mounted in the housing in engagement with the shaft; and
a lubricant recirculation member disposed in the housing about the shaft between the commutator and the bushing, the lubricant recirculation member in the form of a body having a unitarily joined first lubricant recirculation and wear surface portion and a second vibration dampening portion.
2. (Original): The motor of claim 1 wherein:
the first portion has an internal cavity with a side wall shaped to recirculate lubricant away from the commutator.
3. (Original): The motor of claim 1 wherein:
the first and second portions have complementary, mating members for mechanical interlock of the first and second portions.
4. (Original): The motor of claim 1 wherein:
the second portion of the body fixedly engages the motor shaft.
5. (Original): The motor of claim 4 wherein:
the second portion is formed of a thermoplastic elastomer.

6. (Original): The motor of claim 5 wherein:
the thermoplastic elastomer is a polyether ester copolymer.
7. (Original): The motor of claim 1 further comprising:
complementary peripheral interlock members formed on the first and second portions.
8. (Original): The motor of claim 7 wherein:
the complementary interlock members include annular radially inward and radially outward complementary members on the first and second portions.
9. (Re-presented): ~~The motor of claim 1 further comprising:~~ An electric motor comprising:
a housing having first and second ends;
a rotatable shaft extending through the housing;
a commutator disposed in the housing about the shaft;
a plurality of brushes disposed in the housing and engagable with the commutator;
a bushing mounted in the housing in engagement with the shaft;
a lubricant recirculation member disposed in the housing about the shaft between the commutator and the bushing, the lubricant recirculation member in the form of a body having a unitarily joined first lubricant recirculation and wear surface portion and a second vibration dampening portion; and
a plurality of circumferentially spaced fingers extending from the first portion into a central bore in the second portion, a radially innermost surface of each of the plurality of fingers engaging the shaft of the motor to center the lubricant recirculation member about the shaft.
10. (Re-presented): ~~The motor of claim 1~~ An electric motor comprising:
a housing having first and second ends;

a rotatable shaft extending through the housing;
a commutator disposed in the housing about the shaft;
a plurality of brushes disposed in the housing and engagable with the commutator;
a bushing mounted in the housing in engagement with the shaft; and
a lubricant recirculation member disposed in the housing about the shaft between
the commutator and the bushing, the lubricant recirculation member in the form of a body having
a unitarily joined first lubricant recirculation and wear surface portion and a second vibration
dampening portion; and wherein[:] the first portion of the body of the lubricant recirculation
member is formed of molybdenum disulfide filled nylon 6, 6.

11. (Currently amended): The motor of claim 1 wherein the first portion of the body further comprises:

a base having a wear surface contacting the bushing; and
a non-linear sidewall sidewall extending away from the base to direct lubricant from the bushing away from the base.

12. (New): The motor according to claim 11 wherein the sidewall has a generally inward angled inner surface formed of a first radially outward angled wall and a contiguous radially inward extending end wall.

13. (New): The motor according to claim 11 wherein the base includes a plurality of interior bores disposed circumferentially between a central bore of the base and an outer periphery of the sidewall and wherein the second portion is double molded into unitary mechanical interlocking contact with the first portion by a plurality of posts projecting from the second portion into the bores.

14. (New): The motor according to claim 4, further comprising:

a plurality of circumferentially spaced fingers extending from the first portion into a central bore in the second portion, a radially innermost surface of each of the plurality of fingers engaging the shaft of the motor to center the lubricant recirculation member about the shaft.

15. (New): The motor according to claim 9 wherein the first and second portions have complementary, mating members for mechanical interlock of the first and second portions.

16. (New): The motor of claim 9 wherein the first portion of the body further comprises a base having a portion in contact with the bushing and a non-linear sidewall extending from an outer peripheral edge of the base in a direction of the bushing to direct lubricant from the bushing toward the bushing.

17. (New): The motor of claim 16 wherein the base includes a plurality of interior bores disposed circumferentially between a central bore of the base and an outer periphery of the sidewall and wherein the second portion is double molded into unitary mechanical interlocking contact with the first portion by a plurality of posts projecting from the second portion into the bores.

18. (New): The motor according to claim 10, further comprising:
a plurality of circumferentially spaced fingers extending from the first portion into a central bore in the second portion, a radially innermost surface of each of the plurality of fingers engaging the shaft of the motor to center the lubricant recirculation member about the shaft.

19. (New): The motor according to claim 10 wherein the first and second portions have complementary, mating members for mechanical interlock of the first and second portions.

20. (New): The motor of claim 10 wherein the first portion of the body further comprises a wear surface contacting the bushing and a non-linear sidewall extending from an outer peripheral edge of the wear surface in a direction of the bushing to direct lubricant from the bushing toward the bushing.